

AN ACT concerning State parks.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,
represented in the General Assembly:

Section 5. The State Parks Act is amended by changing
Section 6 as follows:

(20 ILCS 835/6) (from Ch. 105, par. 468b)

Sec. 6. It is a violation of this Section for any person
to:

(1) Cut, break, injure, destroy, take or remove any
tree, shrub, timber, plant, or natural object in any park or
parkway, except that the Department of Natural Resources may,
by administrative rule, authorize edible fungi, nut, and
berry collection in those areas of Department owned, leased,
or managed lands where the collecting would not be in
conflict or incompatible with (i) Department of Natural
Resources natural resource management or recreational
programs for that area and (ii) the Natural Areas
Preservation Act;

(2) Kill, cause to be killed, or pursue with intent to
kill any bird or animal in a park or parkway, provided that
the Department of Natural Resources may by administrative
order authorize hunting in those areas of state parks where
such hunting would not be in conflict or incompatible with
Department of Natural Resources recreational programs for
that area;

(3) Take any fish from the waters of any park or
parkway, contrary to the rules and regulations of the
Department of Natural Resources;

(4) Wilfully mutilate, injure, deface, or destroy any
guide post, notice, tablet, fence, enclosure or work for the
protection or ornamentation of any park or parkway;

(5) Light any fire upon any park or parkway, except in an authorized place or places or wilfully or carelessly permit any fire which he has lighted or caused to be lighted, or which shall be under his charge, to spread or extend to or burn any shrubbery, trees, timber, ornaments, or improvements upon any State park, nature preserve or parkways, or leave any camp fires which he shall have lighted or caused to be lighted, or which shall have been left in his charge, unattended by a competent person;

(6) Place within any park or parkway or affix to any object therein contained, any work, character, or device designed to advertise any business, profession, article, thing, exhibition, matter or event;

(7) Violate any rule or regulation adopted and published by the Department of Natural Resources pursuant to the provisions of this Act.

A person who violates this Section shall, for each offense, be guilty of a Class B misdemeanor.

(Source: P.A. 89-445, eff. 2-7-96.)

Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon becoming law.